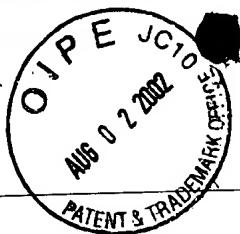


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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated February 27, 2002, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response, which expired May 27, 2002. Applicants respectfully request the following amendment be entered and the claims considered in light thereof.

A petition for a TWO (2) month extension of time accompanies this amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, delete lines 5-7, and insert in place thereof This application is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/US99/02361, filed February 3, 1999, and published in English, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/073,767, filed February 5, 1998, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety. --

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